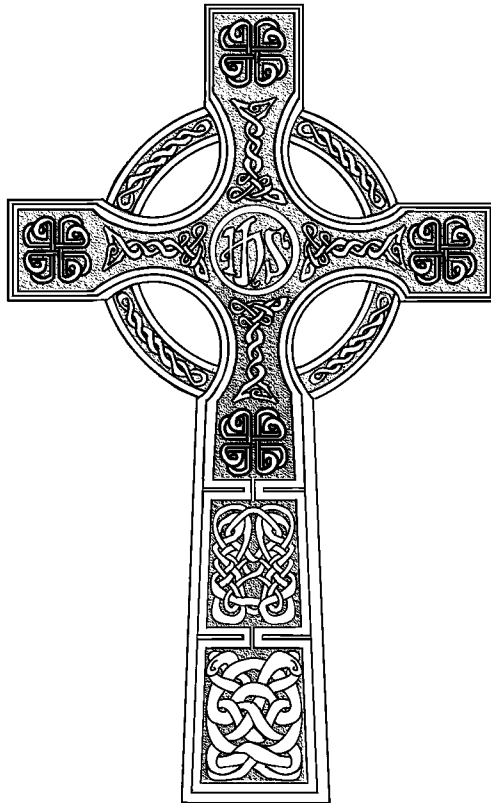


Trinity Episcopal Church



Holy Eucharist Rite II
The Fourth Sunday in Lent
March 19, 2023 - 10:00 AM

The Very Rev. Canon Bill Dunn, Celebrant

Mission Statement

The mission of Trinity Parish is to bear witness to God's reconciling love, to proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ, and to seek and serve Christ in all persons.

Welcome to Trinity Episcopal Church!

We are blessed that you have come to worship with us today.

Our service, based on the practice of the early church, is drawn from the Book of Common Prayer, the Old and New Testaments of the Holy Bible, and other sources approved for our use by the Episcopal Church USA. Please enjoy the drama of our worship, watch to see what others do, and follow this service bulletin. Sing the hymns, pray the prayers, and join us in celebrating God's love for us all.

Episcopalians consider all baptized persons to be members of Christ's Church. Wherever you are on your journey of faith, you are invited to come to the Lord's Table and receive the Lord Jesus Christ in the consecrated Bread (or Host) and Wine. To receive communion, accept the Host in the palm of your hand, consume it, and guide the chalice to your lips. For intinction (dipping the Host into the Wine), leave the Host in your palm for the minister. If you do not wish to receive communion, we invite you to come to the altar for God's blessing through a priest. For a blessing, cross your arms on your chest. If you cannot come to the altar rail, the ministers will gladly bring communion to you in your pew. Just let an usher know.

If you enjoy your time with us, consider coming back and asking about our ministries in the areas of worship and music, prayer, community outreach, women's and men's spirituality, communications, and Christian education.

Birthday Blessing

Watch over your child, O Lord, as *their* days increase; bless and guide *them* wherever *they* may be, keeping *them* unspotted from the world. Strengthen *them* when *they* stand; comfort *them* when discouraged or sorrowful; raise *them* up if *they* fall; and in *their* heart may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of *their* life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Marriage Anniversary Prayer

O God, you have so consecrated the covenant of marriage that in it is represented the spiritual unity between Christ and his Church: Send therefore your blessing upon these your servants, that they may so love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness, that their home may be a haven of blessing and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Liturgy of the Word

Opening Voluntary	Jeffrey H. Rickard, organ
Introit	“Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days” Shute
Processional Hymn	Hymnal 429
Penitential Order	Book of Common Prayer (BCP) 351-353
Kyrie Eleison	Hymnal S86
Salutation and Collect of the Day	BCP 357 / Page 5
The Lessons	Pages 4-5
Sequence Hymn	Hymnal 533
The Holy Gospel	Page 6-7
Sermon & Commissioning	Fr. Bill
Nicene Creed	BCP 358
Prayers of the People Form III	BCP 387
Peace	BCP 360
Announcements & Blessings	

Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem	“The King of Love” Traditional Irish, arr. Scott
Presentation Hymn	Hymnal 567

After receiving the offering the celebrant says the following

All things come of you, O Lord

People And of your own have we given you.

The Great Thanksgiving - Eucharistic Prayer C	BCP 369
Sanctus	Hymnal S124
Lord’s Prayer	Hymnal S149
Breaking of the Bread	BCP 364
Fraction Anthem	Hymnal S161
Communion Hymn	“Cup Has Been Lifted” Trinity Songbook, Section C
Communion Anthem	“The Penitent’s Vision” Scott
Post Communion Prayer	BCP 366
The Blessing	BCP 366
Recessional Hymn	Hymnal 490
Dismissal	BCP 366
Closing Voluntary	Jeff H. Rickard, organ

Lessons for March 19, 2023

The Collect of the Day

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The First Lesson

1 Samuel 16:1-13

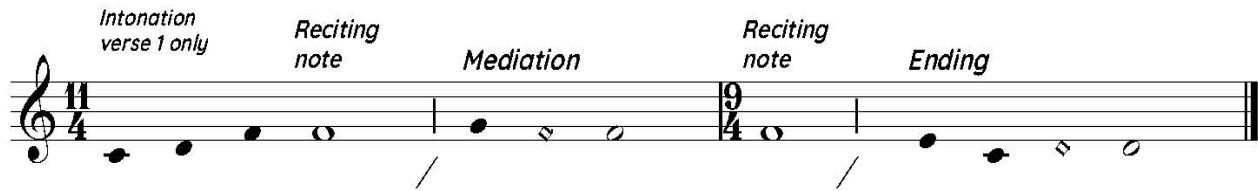
The Lord said to Samuel, "How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons." Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me." And the Lord said, "Take a heifer with you, and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the Lord.' Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you." Samuel did what the Lord commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, "Do you come peaceably?" He said, "Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the Lord; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice." And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, "Surely the Lord's anointed is now before the Lord." But the Lord said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the Lord does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart." Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, "Neither has the Lord chosen this one." Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, "Neither has the Lord chosen this one." Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, "The Lord has not chosen any of these." Samuel said to Jesse, "Are all your sons here?" And he said, "There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep." And Samuel said to Jesse, "Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here." He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The Lord said, "Rise and anoint him; for this is the one." Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 23 – Tone II, 1



- ¹ The Lord is my / shepherd; *
I shall / not be in want.
- ² He makes me lie down in green / pastures *
and leads me beside / still waters.
- ³ He revives my / soul *
and guides me along right pathways for / his Name's sake.
- ⁴ Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I shall fear no / evil; *
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff, / they comfort me.
- ⁵ You spread a table before me in the presence of those who / trouble me; *
you have anointed my head with oil,
and my cup is run-/ing over.
- ⁶ Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my / life, *
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord / for ever.

The Second Lesson

Ephesian 5:8-14

Once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Live as children of light— for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true. Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly; but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says, “Sleeper, awake! Rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you.”

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Holy Gospel

John 9:1-41

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

As Jesus walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" Jesus answered, "Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God's works might be revealed in him. We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man's eyes, saying to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see. The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar began to ask, "Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?" Some were saying, "It is he." Others were saying, "No, but it is someone like him." He kept saying, "I am the man." But they kept asking him, "Then how were your eyes opened?" He answered, "The man called Jesus made mud, spread it on my eyes, and said to me, 'Go to Siloam and wash.' Then I went and washed and received my sight." They said to him, "Where is he?" He said, "I do not know."

They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. Now it was a sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. Then the Pharisees also began to ask him how he had received his sight. He said to them, "He put mud on my eyes. Then I washed, and now I see." Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for he does not observe the sabbath." But others said, "How can a man who is a sinner perform such signs?" And they were divided. So they said again to the blind man, "What do you say about him? It was your eyes he opened." He said, "He is a prophet."

The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight and asked them, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?" His parents answered, "We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; but we do not know how it is that now he sees, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age. He will speak for himself." His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jews; for the Jews had already agreed that anyone who confessed Jesus to be the Messiah would be put out of the synagogue. Therefore his parents said, "He is of age; ask him."

So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and they said to him, "Give glory to God! We know that this man is a sinner." He answered, "I do not know

whether he is a sinner. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see.” They said to him, “What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?” He answered them, “I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become his disciples?” Then they reviled him, saying, “You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from.” The man answered, “Here is an astonishing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes. We know that God does not listen to sinners, but he does listen to one who worships him and obeys his will. Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a person born blind. If this man were not from God, he could do nothing.” They answered him, “You were born entirely in sins, and are you trying to teach us?” And they drove him out.

Jesus heard that they had driven him out, and when he found him, he said, “Do you believe in the Son of Man?” He answered, “And who is he, sir? Tell me, so that I may believe in him.” Jesus said to him, “You have seen him, and the one speaking with you is he.” He said, “Lord, I believe.” And he worshiped him. Jesus said, “I came into this world for judgment so that those who do not see may see, and those who do see may become blind.” Some of the Pharisees near him heard this and said to him, “Surely we are not blind, are we?” Jesus said to them, “If you were blind, you would not have sin. But now that you say, ‘We see,’ your sin remains.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

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